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# HONOURS BACCALAUREUS DEGREES

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An honours degree offers a student who is already in possession of a bachelor's degree, the opportunity of studying further in his/her chosen field of preference.

Whereas a bachelor's degree provides a student with a solid foundation, it still is at a general level (even though there is a fair amount of specialization in the third year of study). An honours degree offers opportunities for significantly enhancing that knowledge in a preferred field of specialisation. Acquiring a deeper understanding and background truly prepares the student far better not only for his or her chosen career, but also paves the way for more advanced postgraduate studies, in other words, for magister degree or eventually a doctor's degree (Ph.D.), the highest academic qualification attainable.

The following honours degrees can be obtained in this Faculty:

Degree	Min. years of study	Abbreviation	Degree code
Baccalaureus Commercii Honores	1	B.Com.Hons.	6500
Baccalaureus Commercii Honores: Financial Economics and Banking	1	B.Com.Hons Financial Economics and Banking	6502
Baccalaureus Commercii Honores: Marketing	1	B.Com.Hons Marketing	6504
Baccalaureus Commercii Honores: Actuarial Science	1	B.Com.Hons Actuarial Science	6505
Baccalaureus Commercii Honores: Accounting	1	B.Com.Hons Accounting	6506
Baccalaureus Administrationis Honores	1	B.Admin.Hons.	6510
Baccalaureus Commercii Honores: Economics	1	B.Com.Hons. Economics	6515
Baccalaureus Commercii	1	B.Com.Hons. Applied	6516

Honores: Applied Econometrics		Econometrics	
Baccalaureus Commerci Honores: Financial Economics and Investment Management	1	B.Com.Hons. Financial Economics and Investment Management	6517
Baccalaureus Honores in Public Management	1	B.Pub.Hons.	6570
Baccalaureus Honores in Accounting	1	B.Acc. Hons.	6580

Only the honours degree following a corresponding first bachelor's degree may be registered for. In exceptional cases, and only for very well substantiated reasons, special permission may be granted for a student to switch to a non-corresponding honours degree (general rule A56).

In this Faculty an honours degree can be obtained in one of two ways:

(a) Honours in a **specific subject or discipline**, e.g. Economics or Accounting, that was taken as major (i.e. up to third-year level) for the candidate's bachelor degree. A discipline honours degree can, for example, be obtained in the following disciplines.

- Economics
- Business Management
- Industrial Psychology
- Accounting
- Public Management

In the case of a discipline-based honours degree a number of modules (semester modules) can be included from another discipline.

(b) Honours in a **specific theme**, for example Investment Management, which is compiled as a multi-disciplinary honours degree with prescribed semester modules from various disciplines.

In B.Com. Hons. the following theme-based module is available on honours level:  
B.Com. Hons. (Marketing)

An honours degree typically comprises six or more modules (usually semester modules, but in certain cases also year modules) plus a short dissertation or research project.

All the semester and year modules listed in the Yearbook are not necessarily offered every year.

#### **RULES**

Unless otherwise specified, the general rules regarding honours degrees are applicable to all honours degrees in this Faculty.

#### **ADMISSION**

For admission to a discipline-based honours degree, the particular subject should have been completed up to three-year level. For theme- based honours degrees similar preconditions for admission apply (table below).

- An honours theme (in "parenthesis") need not necessarily be the same as the undergraduate degree focus (in "parenthesis"), as long as the preconditions are met.

Permission to follow an honours degree in a certain discipline must be obtained from the relevant departmental chairperson. This must be done prior to the student's registration for that particular year.

Permission to follow honours study in one of the themes must be obtained *before* registration from the Programme Director: Private Sector Management.

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**Rule F28      PREREQUISITES**

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The following additional prerequisites apply for honours study in the disciplines/themes mentioned below.

<b>For an honours degree in</b>	<b>These modules are prerequisites:</b>
Business Management	STK114 and STK124 or WTW114 and WTW124
Economics	STK114 and STK124 or WTW114 and WTW124
Financial Economics	STK114 and STK124 or WTW114 and WTW124
Marketing	OBS144 and OBS324;
Accounting	
Module prerequisites	
EFIN80808	FIN308/REK608
EBRF80808	BRF308/MAF608, or BRF314 & OBS364 together
EBLS80808	BLS308/BEL608
EODT80808	ODT308/AUD608
EACC80808	REK308 or FIN208
EAUD80808	ODT214 and ODT224
EBEL80808	BLS308 or BEL308
EMAF80808	BRF308, or BRF314 & OBS364 together, or MAC314 and MNF324 together

Honours students in disciplines other than Economics or in a specific multi-disciplinary theme who wish to include a postgraduate module in Microeconomics, Econometrics in their curriculum, should have passed Economics at least at second-year level.

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## CURRICULA: DISCIPLINE-BASED HONOURS DEGREES

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Information, curricula and directives will subsequently be given for the different subject and theme fields in which an honours degree can be obtained.

Rule F 29	B.COM. HONS. INDUSTRIAL PSYCHOLOGY Study code 6500
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### Prerequisites

In order to qualify for admission to the selection process for the honours programme, a prospective student should adhere to the following prerequisites:

- That the student has passed each of the following undergraduate Industrial Psychology modules with a mark of at least 60% (or equivalent modules from other institutions):
  - (Organisational Psychology)
  - (Human Resource Management)
  - (Employer and Employee Relationships)
  - (Career Psychology)
  - (Training and Development)
- That the student has passed the module RSM324 (Research Methodology) with a mark of at least 65%.
- That the student has either already obtained a Baccalaureus degree or qualify to obtain a Baccalaureus degree before enrolling for the honours degree
- That the student has completed the TALPS test

### Information

Prospective students must submit their written applications for admission (which includes a selection process) to the departmental chairperson the previous year before 30 September. Admission to this honours degree study is subjected to the results of the selection process. Application forms are available from the departmental chairperson of Industrial Psychology.



## Curriculum

Module	First semester	Second semester
Career Psychology	EOCP81408	
Organisation Psychology		EORG82408
Labour Relations	ELAB81408	
Human Resource Management		EHUM82408
Psychometric Assessment and Measurement	EPSM80808	EPSM80808
Research Methodology	ERSM80808	ERSM80808
Dissertation	EDIS80808	EDIS80808

Compilation of the degree must be done in consultation with the departmental chairperson.

Students who have already been selected for B.Psych. equivalence in order to register with the HPCSA (Health Professions Council of South Africa) as counsellors, must take SIL604 and SIL654 instead of ELAB81408.

**Please take note that due to the phasing in of the undergraduate modules (for re-entrance) the entry requirements for an honours degree in Industrial Psychology will be changed accordingly from 2015.**

Rule F 30	B.COM. HONS. ECONOMICS Study code 6515
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### Information regarding honours study in Economics

Admission to honours degree study is subject to approval by the chairperson of the department. To be considered for admission to honours studies in Economics a student must have passed EKN314, EKN324 and EKT324 (or equivalent modules if that student completed his/her undergraduate studies at another university) with an overall average of at least 60%. In addition the student should have completed EKN114, EKN124, EKN214 and EKN224 (or equivalent modules).

Prospective students must apply in writing before 30 September prior to registering for the degree in the following year. Application forms are available from the chairperson, Department of Economics.

### Curriculum

The curriculum must be compiled according to the table set out below. The selection of modules must be approved by the chairperson of the department. All modules are not necessarily offered each year and choices can be influenced by the availability of personnel or other internal circumstances. Subject to approval by the chairperson of the department, the degree can be completed over a period of twelve, eighteen or twenty four months, depending on the student's academic background.

Detailed information regarding the methods of presentation and optimal composition of a degree package is available on request from the chairperson of the Department of Economics.

Subject	Semester 1	Semester 2
Microeconomics	EECO81108	
Macroeconomics I	EECO81208	
Introduction to econometrics	EECO81308	
Methodology of economics <sup>#</sup>	EECO83108	
Mathematical economics <sup>#</sup>	EECO82708	
Minor dissertation in economics		EECO88108
		<b>Two of the following:</b>
Public economics I (Fiscal policy)		EECO82108
International economics		EECO82308
Labour economics		EECO82608
Financial systems and monetary		EECO92508

# Subject counts 12 credits; \* Dissertation counts 48 credits; all other subjects count 24 credits

<b>Rule F 31</b>	<b>B.COM. HONS. APPLIED ECONOMETRICS Study code 6516</b>
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### Information regarding honours study in Applied Econometrics

Admission to honours degree study is subject to approval by the chairperson of the department. To be considered for admission to honours studies in Applied Econometrics a student must have passed EKN314, EKN324 and EKT324 (or equivalent modules if that student completed his or her undergraduate studies at another university) with an overall average of at least 60%. In addition the student should have completed EKN114, EKN124, EKN214 and EKN224 (or equivalent modules).

Prospective students must apply in writing before 30 September prior to registering for the degree in the following year. Application forms are available from the chairperson, Department of Economics.

### Curriculum

The curriculum must be compiled according to the table set out below. The selection of modules must be approved by the chairperson of the department. All modules are not necessarily offered each year and choices can be influenced by the availability of personnel or other internal circumstances. Subject to approval by the chairperson of the department, the degree can be completed over a period of twelve, eighteen or twenty four months, depending on the student's academic background.

Detailed information regarding the methods of presentation and optimal composition of a degree package is available on request from the chairperson of the Department of Economics.

Subject	Semester 1	Semester 2
Microeconomics	EECO81108	
Macroeconomics I	EECO81208	
Introduction to econometrics	EECO81308	
Methodology of economics#	EECO83108	
Mathematical economics#	EECO83208	
Minor dissertation in applied econometrics		EECO88208
		<b>One of the following</b>
Advanced time series econometrics		EECO92209
Cross section and panel data econometrics		EECO92309
		<b>One of the following</b>
Public economics I (Fiscal policy)		EECO82108

International economics		EEO82308
Labour economics		EEO82608
Financial systems and monetary policy		EO92509

# Subject counts 12 credits; \* Dissertation counts 48 credits; all other subjects count 24 credits.  
Note that students wishing to register for either EO922 or EO923 must have passed EO813.

Rule F 32	<b>B.COM. HONS. FINANCIAL ECONOMICS AND INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT Study code 6517</b>
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### Information regarding honours study in Financial Economics and Investment Management

Admission to honours degree study is subject to approval by the chairperson of the department. To be considered for admission to honours studies in Financial Economics and Investment Management a student must have passed either:

- EKN314, EKN324 and EKT324 (or equivalent modules if that student completed his/her undergraduate studies at another university) with an overall average of at least 60%. In addition, the student must have completed EKN114, EKN124, EKN214, EKN224, OBS234, OBS364, REK114 and REK124 (or equivalent modules).  
Or
- FEC314, FEC324 and EKT324 (or equivalent modules if that student completed his/her undergraduate studies at another university) with an overall average of at least 60%. In addition, the student must have completed EKN114, EKN124, GEB214, GEB224, EKN224, OBS234, OBS364, REK114 and REK124 (or equivalent modules).  
Or
- OBS314, OBS364 and EKT324 (or equivalent modules if that student completed his/her undergraduate studies at another university) with an overall average of at least 60%. In addition the student should have completed EKN114, EKN124, OBS134, OBS144, OBS234, OBS244, EKN224, REK114 and REK124 (or equivalent modules).  
Or
- BRF314, OBS364 and EKT324 (or equivalent modules if that student completed his/her undergraduate studies at another university) with an overall average of at least 60%. In addition the student should have completed EKN114, EKN124, EKN224, REK114, REK124 and BRF214 (or equivalent modules).  
Or
- BRF308 and EKT324 (or equivalent modules if that student completed his/her undergraduate studies at another university) with a weighted average of at least 60%. In

addition the student should have completed OBS234, EKN114, EKN124, EKN224, REK114, REK124 and BRF214 (or equivalent modules).

Prospective students must apply in writing before 30 September prior to registering for the degree in the following year. Application forms are available from the chairperson, Department of Economics.

### Curriculum

The curriculum must be compiled according to the table set out below. The selection of modules must be approved by the chairperson of the department. All modules are not necessarily offered each year and choices can be influenced by the availability of personnel or other internal circumstances. Subject to approval by the chairperson of the department, the degree can be completed over a period of twelve, eighteen or twenty four months, depending on the student's academic background.

Detailed information regarding the methods of presentation and optimal composition of a degree package is available on request from the chairperson of the Department of Economics.

Subject	Semester 1	Semester 2
Macroeconomics I	EECO81208	
Introduction to econometrics	EECO81308	
Risk management in financial	EECO81408	
Mathematical economics <sup>#</sup>	EECO83208	
Regulation of financial institutions <sup>#</sup>	EECO83308	
Portfolio management <sup>*</sup>		EECO82208
Security analysis <sup>*</sup>		EECO82408
Derivative instruments <sup>*</sup>		EECO82508

<sup>#</sup> Subject counts 12 credits; <sup>\*</sup> Subject counts 30 credits; all other subjects count

Rule F 33	B.COM. HONS. BUSINESS MANAGEMENT Study code 6500
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### Prerequisites

Admission to this postgraduate study is subjected to approval by the departmental chairperson. In order to obtain admission to honours studies in Business Management, a prospective student must have completed all the undergraduate modules in Business

Management and at least should have passed two of the following modules (or equivalent modules from another institution) with a combined average of 60% for the second year (OBS234 and OBS244) as well as in OBS314, IBM314, OBS344, OBS324 and OBS364. Prospective students must apply for admission to the degree in writing before 30 September of the previous year before they may register. The application forms are available from the departmental chairperson of the Department of Business Management.

### Curriculum

The degree comprises six modules plus a dissertation. The modules must be chosen in consultation with the departmental chairperson. A student may not take more than three modules per semester (excluding the dissertation). All modules are not necessarily presented every year and choices can be influenced by several reasons, such as the availability of staff.

Part-time students take the degree over a two-year period in consultation with the departmental chairperson.

Module	Semester1	Semester2
Script (compulsory)	EBUS80808	EBUS80808
	Three of the following	Three of the following
Advanced strategic management	EBUS81408	
Strategic marketing management		EBUS82408
Advanced financial management	EBUS83408	
Entrepreneurial management		EBUS84408
Consumer behaviour	EBUS85408	
Services management	EBUS87408	
Entrepreneurship	EBUS89408	
Project management		EBUS88408
Internet commerce		EBUS86408
International marketing		EMKT82408

One or at the most two approved modules from another department may be taken with permission of the departmental chairperson concerned.

<b>Rule F 34</b>	<b>B.COM. HONS. PUBLIC MANAGEMENT (Public Administration) Study code 6570</b>
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### Information

Admission to postgraduate study is subject to approval by the departmental chairperson based on a satisfactory study record. Prospective students must apply for admission to the degree in writing before 30 September prior to registration in the following year. Application forms are available from the departmental chairperson of the Department of Public Management.

### Curriculum

Six modules plus a short dissertation on an approved subject. With permission from the departmental chairperson, the degree can be taken over a period of twelve, eighteen or twenty-two months, depending on the student's academic background and whether the candidate is a full-time or part-time student.

Module which has been passed for this degree cannot be acknowledged for the purpose of another degree or diploma.

<b>Module</b>	<b>First semester</b>	<b>Second semester</b>
Executive public management	EPAM82408	EPAM82408
Public policy and service delivery	EPAP81408	EPAP81408
Public financial administration and management	EPAF81408	EPAF81408
Organisational analysis and intergovernmental relations	EPAO82408	EPAO82408
Public human resource management	EPAH82408	EPAH82408
Research methodology in public administration and management	EPAR81408	EPAR81408
Short dissertation	EPAM82608	EPAM82608

Rule F 35	B.COM. HONS. ACCOUNTING Study code 6506
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#### Prerequisites

See subject prerequisites for specific modules mentioned on page 8 above. Students should obtain at least 55% in REK308 (or an equivalent at another institution). Students from other institutions must seek specific permission from the programme director: Training of Accountants.

#### Curriculum

The degree comprises a choice between two options. Students planning to enrol for B.Acc. (Hons.) in the future (see rule F29.8 Code 65801) with the objective to pursue a career in chartered accountancy, should choose option A, while other students may choose option B.

**OPTIONA:** The following four year modules are compulsory

Module	Semester1	Semester2
Accounting	EACC8008	EACC80808
Auditing	EAUD80808	EAUD80808
Management accounting and finance	EMAF80808	EMAF80808
Taxation	EBEL80808	EBEL80808

**OPTIONB:** Choose any three year modules (or equivalent) from the following plus a dissertation in Accounting:

Module	Semester1	Semester2
Accounting	EACC80808	EACC80808
Auditing	EAUD80808	EAUD80808
Management accounting and finance	EMAF80808	EMAF80808
Taxation	EBEL80808	EBEL80808
	O	
	A year module (or two honours semester modules) in Business Management, Computer Information Systems or Economics, as approved by the	

Plus

Dissertation in Accounting	ERSK80408
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Rule F 36	B. ACCOUNTING HONS. Study code 6580
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#### Prerequisites

B.Acc. degree or (equivalent as approved by the Programme Director: Training of Accountants) with the understanding that a combined average of 58% must be obtained in FIN308, ODT308, BLS308 and BRF308, with at least 55% for FIN308.

Or

B.Com.Hons.in Accounting (see Rule F29.7 Study code 65061) if option A has been selected and with the understanding that combined average of 55% must be obtained in EREK80808, EAUD80808, EBEL80808 and EMAF80808, with at least 55% for EREK80808.

#### Curriculum

This programme is accredited by the South African Institute of Chartered Accountants (SAICA).The degree comprises **four** year modules or equivalent).

Module	Semester 1	Semester2
Advanced financial accounting	EFIN80808	EFIN80808
Advanced management accounting	EBRF80808	EBRF80808
Advanced taxation	EBLS80808	EBLS80808
Advanced auditing	EODT80808	EODT80808

#### Please note:

Students who repeat the B.Acc. (Hons.) to qualify for admittance to the qualifying examination have to enrol for module codes 60908 in place of the 80808 codes.

**Information:** *Admission to the qualifying examination of the SA Institute of Chartered Accountants.*

Please refer to the study guide for full detail.

Students should obtain a combined average year mark of at least 40% in all four modules above to qualify for the November examinations. Students may change at any time during the year from B.Acc. (Hons) to B.Com. (Hons.in Accounting) if and when they do not qualify to write the B. Acc. (Hons. examinations in November.

Rule F 37	B.COM. HONS. MANAGEMENT ACCOUNTING Study code 6518
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### Prerequisites

A relevant Baccalaureus degree with Accounting at NQF level 6 (old) passed with at least 55% at third year level, with permission from the Programme Director: Training of Accountants.

### Curriculum

The honours degree is aligned with the syllabus of the Chartered Institute of Management Accountants (CIMA) and aimed at the Advanced Diploma in Management Accounting of CIMA. The degree consists of the under mentioned six one year modules plus a dissertation in Management Accounting or Financial Management.

Module	Semester 1	Semester 2
Financial accounting and tax principles*	EFAT80508	EFAT80508
Financial analysis	EFNA80508	EFNA80508
Management accounting and performance evaluation	EMAP80508	EMAP80508
Management accounting and decision management	EMAD80508	EMAD80508
Integrated management	EIMA80508	EIMA80508
Organisational management and information systems	EOMA80508	EOMA80508
<b>Plus</b>		
Dissertation in management accounting	EMSK80408	EMSK80408

\*Exemption will be granted if student passes REK308 or FIN308, and BEL308 or BLS308

Study material prescribed by CIMA, is used according to strict guidelines of CIMA. Classes are presented only in English. Students are assessed within the assessment framework of the university while CIMA staff will act as external assessors. After

completion of the B.Com (Honours in Management Accounting) a student only have to successfully pass the "Professional Strategic Level "of CIMA and relevant practical experience in order to become full member of CIMA.

<b>Rule F 38</b>	<b>B.COM. HONS. TAXATION Study code 6521</b>
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#### **Prerequisites**

Refer to subject prerequisites for special modules mentioned on page 7. Students from other institutions should obtain specific permission from the Programme Director: Training of Accountants.

#### **Curriculum**

This programme is accredited by the South African Institute of Tax Practitioners (SAIT).The degree comprises the following three year modules plus a dissertation in Taxation:

<b>Module</b>	<b>Semester 1</b>	<b>Semester 2</b>
Taxation	EBEL80808	EBEL80808
Advanced corporate taxation	ETXC80408	ETXC80408
Estate planning	ETXE80408	ETXE80408
Salary structuring	ETXS80408	ETXS80408
Tax administration	ETXA80408	ETXA80408
Capital gains tax	ETXG80408	ETXG80408
<b>Plus</b>		
Dissertation in Taxation Honours	ETSK80408	ETSK80408

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<b>Rule F 39</b>	<b>CURRICULA: THEME-BASED HONOURS DEGREES</b>
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**Information**

A theme-based honours degree can be obtained in the multidisciplinary study field of Marketing.

Prospective students must apply in writing to the departmental chairperson, Department of Business Management. Honours modules can only be taken with the appropriate undergraduate subjects as foundation. (See prerequisites above).

**Curriculum**

The degree comprises six modules plus a short dissertation. All modules are not necessarily presented every year and choices can be influenced by several reasons, such as the availability of staff.

<b>Rule F 40</b>	<b>B.COM. HONS. MARKETING Study code 6504</b>
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<b>Module</b>	<b>Semester 1</b>	<b>Semester 2</b>
Strategic marketing management		EBUS82408
Consumer behaviour	EBUS85408	
Integrated marketing communication*	BKB621	BKO621
Dissertation	EBUS80808	EBUS80808
Service management	EBUS87408	
Internet commerce		EBUS86408

\*Students who register for BKB621 without undergraduate foundation in Marketing Communication should contact the Department of Communication Science to make the necessary arrangements.

## MAGISTER DEGREES

A magister degree offers students who are already in possession of their bachelor's and honours degrees, the opportunity to further their studies in a specialised field of their preference. In the case of career- oriented magister degrees such as the M.P.A. or M.B.A. degrees, an honours degree is not a precondition.

A bachelor's degree provides a student with a solid general foundation, and an honours degree offers advanced knowledge in a specific subject or area. Additional postgraduate study for a magister degree is an invaluable way of focusing more scientifically on one's field of specialisation. It is also the prerequisite degree for the highest academic qualification, namely a doctorate or (Ph.D.).

The following magister degrees are offered in this Faculty:

<b>Degree</b>	<b>Min. years of study</b>	<b>Abbreviation</b>	<b>Degree code</b>
Magister Commercii	1	M.Com.	6700
Magister Administrationis	1	M.Admin.	6711
Magister in Public Administration*	2	M.P.A.	6722
Magister in Accounting	1	M.Acc.	6780
Magister in Business Administration	2	M.B.A.	6781
Magister in Development Studies	2	M.D.S.	6782
Magister Commercii: Economics	2	M.Com.	6794
Magister Commercii: Applied Econometrics	2	M.Com.	6796
Magister Commercii: Financial Economics and Investment Management	2	M.Com.	6797

Except in the case of career-oriented magister degrees such as M.P.A. or M.B.A. degrees, only the magister degree which corresponds to the previously obtained baccalaureus and honours degree will be conferred. In exceptional cases only and for very well substantiated reasons, special permission may be granted for a

candidate to be accommodated in a non-corresponding magister degree. (GeneralRuleA80).

Except for degrees such as MPA or MBA, a magister degree is obtained in a specific discipline or subject. Other than is the case with an honours degree, there in theme-oriented options available. Candidates with a theme-oriented honours degree should be able to obtain a magister degree in an appropriate discipline, although certain additional modules or self-study modules might possibly have to be completed.

A magister degree can be obtained in two ways:

- (a) a taught or module option, comprising four, six or more cases also year modules) plus a dissertation or extended dissertation or
- (b) a full dissertation.

The taught magister option is only available in certain disciplines, for example Economics, as well as with the Magister in Public Administration (M.P.A.).

### **RULES**

Unless otherwise stated the General Rules of the University regarding magister degrees apply in this Faculty.

### **ADMISSION**

Permission to register for a magister degree must be obtained from the departmental chairperson prior to registration, in a subject which was taken at third-year level for the bachelor's degree and in which the honours degree was obtained. In the case of a theme-based honours degree the decision concerning admission rests with the departmental chairperson in which the magister degree will be obtained. For admission to the M.Acc. and M.P.A. degrees refer to Rules F15.12 and F15.18.

All candidates registered according to the dissertation option should, in collaboration with the study leader(s), prepare at least one article for publication in an approved research journal before the dissertation is submitted for examining.

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## CURRICULA: MAGISTER DEGREES

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The following is a list of specialized fields in which magister degrees can be obtained.

Rule F 41	M.COM. INDUSTRIAL PSYCHOLOGY Study code 6700
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### Information

Admission to this magister degree study is subjected to approval by the departmental chairperson based on a satisfactory study record. Prospective students must apply for admission to the degree in writing prior to registration. A letter of application as well as an academic record and certified copies of degree certificates should be send or faxed to the departmental chairperson of the Department of Industrial Psychology.

Admission and registration is also subjected to the submission of an approved research proposal.

EBSK90009          A magister dissertation furnishing proof that the candidate is capable of producing scientific research.

Rule F 42	M.COM. ECONOMICS Study code 6794
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### Information about the following degrees:

- Magister degree in Economics
- Magister degree in the speciality field Applied Econometrics
- Magister degree in the speciality field Financial Economics and Investment Management

Admission to magister degree study is subject to approval by the chairperson of the department. To be admitted, a student should have obtained an average of at least 65% in his/her honours degree. In addition, a student wishing to be admitted to complete the dissertation option (ECO90009), should also have obtained at least 65% in his/her honours minor dissertation (or equivalent). Prospective students must apply for admission to the degree in writing prior to

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registration. Application forms are available from the chairperson of the Department of Economics. Students wishing to be admitted to the dissertation option (i) below must first do a six-month pre-registration module during which the student needs to prepare and submit a research proposal. Only upon approval of the research proposal by both the Department of Economics and the Faculty's research committee, will the student be allowed to register for ECO90009. Furthermore, students wishing to enrol for any of the magister degrees should have completed all the compulsory modules (or their equivalent) of the corresponding honours degree.

If a student completed an honours degree in one field of specialisation presented in the department, but he/she wishes to complete a master's degree in another field that is also presented in the department, he/she may only do so with permission of the chairperson of the department. In addition, prior to enrolment the student must first complete all the compulsory modules (or equivalents) of the honours degree corresponding to the master's degree for which he/she wishes to enrol.

Detailed information concerning the methods of presentation and the optimal compilation of a degree package is available from the chairperson of the Department of Economics.

### **Curriculum**

A magister degree in Economics, Applied Econometrics, Financial Economics and Investment Management, can, subject to the approval of the chairperson of the department, be obtained by following either option (i) or (ii) below.

Options:

- i) ECO90009 A dissertation on an approved topic based which must be the result of original research.
- ii) Four modules (24 credits each) plus a comprehensive dissertation (96 credits) on an approved subject falling within the field of specialisation of the degree.

The choice of modules must be approved by the chairperson of the department and must be compiled in accordance with the tables of the relevant degrees set out below. All modules are not necessarily offered every year, and choices can be influenced by the availability of personnel and other internal conditions. Subject to the approval of the chairperson of the Department of Economics, the degree can be completed over a period of twelve, eighteen or twenty four months, depending on the student's academic background.



Rule F 43	M.COM. SPECIALISED FIELD: ECONOMICS Study code 6794
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Module description	Module codes	
	Semester 1	Semester 2
Macroeconomics II	EECO91109	
		One of the following
Applied economics and competition policy		EECO92109
Financial systems and monetary policy		EECO92509
	One of the following	
International monetary relations	EECO91209	
Health economics	EECO91309	
Development economics	EECO91409	
Public economics II (Public finance)	EECO91509	
Advanced econometrics	EECO91609	
Capita Selecta	EECO91709	
		One of the following
Advanced time series analysis		EECO92209
Cross section- and panel data analysis		EECO92309
Capita Selecta		EECO91709
<b>PLUS</b>		
Comprehensive dissertation in economics	EECO90109 (runs over both semesters)	

Dissertation counts 96 credits; all other subjects count 24 credits

<b>Rule F 44</b>	<b>M.COM. SPECIALISED FIELD: ECONOMETRICS Study code 6796</b>
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	Module codes	
	Semester 1	Semester 2
Macroeconomics II	EECO91109	
		<b>One of the following</b>
Applied microeconomics and competition policy		EECO92109
Financial systems and monetary policy		EECO92509
	<b>One of the</b>	
International monetary relations	EECO91209	
Health economics	EECO91309	
Development economics	EECO91409	
Public economics II (Public finance)	EECO91509	
Advanced econometrics	EECO91609	
Capita Selecta	EECO91709	
		<b>One of the following</b>
Advanced time series econometrics		EECO92209
Cross section and panel data		EECO92309
Capita Selecta		EECO91709
<b>PLUS</b>		
Comprehensive dissertation in applied econometrics	EECO90209 (runs over both semesters)	

Dissertation counts 96 credits; all other subjects count 24 credits

Rule F 45	M.COM. SPECIALISED FIELD: FINANCIAL ECONOMICS AND INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT Study code 6797
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Module description	Module codes	
	Semester 1	Semester 2
Macroeconomics II	EECO91109	
Readings in investment management	EECO91809	
Advanced time series econometrics		EECO92209
		<b>One of the following</b>
Financial systems and monetary policy		EECO91409
International finance		EECO92509
Capita Selecta		EECO91709
Applied microeconomics and competition		EECO92109
<b>PLUS</b>		
Comprehensive dissertation in financial	EECO90309 (runs over both semesters)	

Rule F 46	M.COM. BUSINESS MANAGEMENT Study code 6700
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### General Information

Prospective students must apply in writing for admission to the degree to the Departmental Chairperson prior to registration. Application forms are available from the Departmental Chairperson, Department of Business Management. The degree can be taken full-time or part-time.

### Curriculum

To obtain a magister degree in Business Management a candidate he following condition must be met:

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EBUS90009	A dissertation on an approved topic based on original research in a study field of Business management
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Rule F 47	M.COM. ACCOUNTING Study code 6770
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REK791	A dissertation or at least three publishable articles based on original research.
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Rule F 48	M. ACCOUNTING Study code 6740
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REK700      A dissertation or at least three publishable articles based on original research.

Rule F 49	M.P.A. MAGISTER IN PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION Study code 6722
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### Information

The Magister in Public Administration is an established career-oriented postgraduate qualification aimed at high-level management in the public sector. It is intended for graduates who have not necessarily had an undergraduate background in Public Management, but who have gained relevant career experience in the public sector or related areas and who want to strengthen their management abilities.

### Admission

For admission to the degree Magister in Public Administration, a student should at least be in possession of a bachelor's degree with at least a 60% average over the period of study for the bachelor's degree as well as at least 5 years' experience in a senior managerial position the public sector. Candidates will also have to pass a competency test. Application forms are available from the Programme Director.

### Curriculum

Students should register for 3 modules in the first semester and 2 in the second semester. Only after successful completion of the module EPAR91409 (Research methodology) will students be allowed to register for the comprehensive dissertation (EPAM92009) in the second year.

Modules	First semester	Second semester
Public policy and service delivery	EPAP91409	
Public financial administration and management	EPAF91409	
Research methodology in public administration and management (advanced)	EPAR91409	
Public human resource management		EPAH92409
Organisational analysis and inter-governmental relations		EPAO92409
<b>Second year</b>		
Comprehensive dissertation	EPAM92009	EPAM92009

Rule F 50	M.ADMIN. ADMINISTRATION Study code 6711
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### Admission

For admission to the degree Magister in Public Administration, a student should be in possession of an honours degree in Public Administration and Management with at least a 65% average over the period of study for this degree. Candidates will also have to pass a competency test. Application forms are available from the Programme Director.

### Curriculum

The maximum study period for this degree is 3 years.

EPAM94509	Dissertation
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## DOCTOR'S DEGREES

The following doctorates are granted in this Faculty.

Degree	Abbreviation	Degree code
Doctor Commercii	D.Com.	6900
Doctor Accounting	D. Acc.	6980
Doctor Auditing	D. Com.	6900
Doctor Taxation	D. Com	6900
Doctor Management Accounting	D. Com.	6900
Philosophiae Doctor	Ph.D.	6960

### Rules

Unless otherwise specified, the general Rules regarding doctor's degrees are applicable to this Faculty.

### Admission

Admission to a doctor's degree is subject to approval by that particular Chairperson of the department in which the doctorate is envisaged, based on a satisfactory academic background and the submission of an approved research proposal in conjunction with the prescribed procedures of that particular department.

All candidates registered according to the dissertation option should, in collaboration with the promoter(s), prepare at least one article for publication in an approved research journal before the thesis is submitted for examining.

Students with an M.P.A. degree can, with the permission of the Departmental Chairperson is granted admission to the Ph.D. degree.

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**Rule F 51      PHILOSOPHIAE DOCTOR  
PH.D.  
STUDYCODE 6960**

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A Ph.D. is the degree intended for persons who would like to pursue further studies after completing a magister degree, irrespective of the name of the undergraduate or graduate degree. A Ph.D. degree can be granted in this Faculty on the grounds of a thesis or at least 5 publishable articles in one of the following disciplines:

Anthropology, Industrial Psychology, Industrial Communication, Economics, Agricultural Economics, Business Management, Political Science, Public Management, Computer Science and Informatics, Accounting, Psychology, Sociology, Statistics, Mathematics.

<b>Degree:</b>	<b>Abbreviation</b>	<b>Study code</b>
Doctor Administrationis	Ph.D.	6910
Doctor Commercii	Ph.D.	6900
Doctor Computationis	Ph.D.	6940
Doctor in Accounting	Ph.D.	6980
Doctor in Taxation	Ph.D.	6980
Doctor in Auditing	Ph.D.	6980
Doctor in Management Accounting	Ph.D.	6980
Doctor Economiae	Ph.D.	6950
Doctor In Personnel Leadership	Ph.D.	6930

These doctorates are not intended for persons who wish to pursue further study based on their thesis material alone. These degrees are intended for persons who are already in possession of doctorates, and who, owing to the notable number of articles that have been published in a specific field, and deemed to be of a particularly high standard, may register for this doctorate. In exceptional cases the Senate may also allow a person who has not yet obtained a doctorate the



opportunity to register for a doctor's degree under the same conditions.

Candidates for the abovementioned degrees are referred to General Rule 12

## POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMAS

Diploma	Min. period of study	Abbreviation	Study Code
Postgraduate diploma in tax strategy and management	1 year	P.Dip.Tax.	6260

### Rules

Unless otherwise specified, the general University Rules regarding the advanced diploma are applicable in this Faculty.

Rule F 52	<b>POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA IN TAX STRATEGY AND MANAGEMENT</b> Study code 6260
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### INFORMATION

South African Tax Legislation has undergone fundamental changes over the past decade. This qualification will bring all parties involved in the field of taxation up to date with the latest developments. Tax consultants will be empowered to optimally position themselves and their clients from a strategic tax perspective-now, and in the future.

### RULES

Unless otherwise specified, the general Rules of the University regarding advanced and higher diplomas are applicable in this Faculty.

### ADMISSION

Any B Com /B Acc Degree that includes taxation as module;

Or

Equivalent degree that includes taxation as a major module;

Or

Relevant work experience in the taxation field (supported by a portfolio) that can be recognised in terms of prior learning as equivalent to the first criteria.

All submissions are subject to a selection process.

### CURRICULUM

The minimum duration of the qualification is 12 months, and it consists of 124 credits on NQF Level 8.

The maximum consecutive period to obtain the Diploma by completing each module, is 3 (three) years.

The following modules are compulsory:

Module code	Module Name
TXA601	Advanced corporate tax made easy
TXA602	Basic corporate tax
TXA603	Estate planning in perspective
TXA604	Farming for tax pleasure
TXA605	Calculating individual tax
TXA606	Investments and their tax implications
TXA607	Salary structuring in tax perspective
TXA608	Tackling capital gains tax
TXA609	Tax admin! What are my rights?
TXA610	Value added tax(VAT) – the essentials

All modules can also be attended as short learning programmes. Recognition of prior learning (RPL) would then be used for students that wish to register for the full qualification at a later stage.

An approved module or modules from another department may be included in the study with the permission of the programme Director and the Departmental Chairperson concerned. The appropriate module code must be used.

### REGISTRATIONS

The final registration date of the Business School does not necessarily correspond with the final registration date of the University, but will not be later than the final registration date of the University.

Students from other higher educational institutions who wish to register at this University and students of this University who interrupted their studies for a year or longer, are subject to the stipulations of Rule A82(c), bound to comply with the regulations that apply at the time of the mentioned registration unless, on recommendation of the Director, the Dean should decide otherwise.

A student may only register twice for a specific module. In other words, you only have two chances to register and pass the exam on the specific module.